

REMARKS

Claims 20-37 are pending in the present application. Claim 20 has been rejected. Claims 21-37 have been allowed. Claim 20 has been canceled. No claims have been amended or added. Applicants respectfully acknowledge and thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter, notably the allowance of claims 21-37.

Regarding claim 20, Applicants again respectfully traverse the pending rejection and incorporate all remarks from Applicants' previous response, particularly noting that the interpretation of means-plus-function elements "shall be construed to cover the corresponding structure, material or acts described in the specification and equivalents thereof." *See* 35 U.S.C. § 112, paragraph 6. Nevertheless, Applicants have canceled claim 20 herein so as to expedite the issuance of the presently allowed claims. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to pursue this now canceled claim in a later continuation or divisional application.

Applicants respectfully submit that all claims are now in proper form and condition for patentability, and request a Notification of Allowance to that effect. It is believed that no fees are due at this time. Should any fee be required for any reason related to this document or application in general, however, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee or fees to Deposit Account No.50-0388, referencing Docket No. NSC1P276. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number below with any questions or concerns relating to this document or application.

Respectfully Submitted,
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